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CAN STILL SHIP WHISKEY IF FOR PERSONAL USE ONLY

That there is no statute by the State of South Carolina prohibiting the importation of whiskey from another State for personal use and that the Webb act gives the State the right to enact such a statute, if it so desires, is the decision of the supreme court in deciding a case testing the constitutionality of the Webb act which was passed by Congress, withdrawing the protection of interstate commerce from whiskey shipments from one State to another. The supreme court held that the old dispensary act forbidding the ordering of whiskey for personal use from other States, having been declared unconstitutional, before the passage of the Webb act, could not be vitiated by the passage of the Webb act.

"It is not the intention of the Webb act to interfere with the policy of the State in regard to the importation of liquor but merely to provide that the enforcement of a State statute would not be interfered with or hampered by the interstate commerce laws, says the decision.

"In other words, the act in this respect is passive," continues the decision, "while it is incumbent on the State to enact legislation of an active nature if they are desirous of prohibiting the importation of liquors for personal use or other purposes. But even if Congress had undertaken to give validity to an unconstitutional State statute it would have been beyond its powers.

"While the legislature can not pass an act, validating the provisions of the dispensary statute which we have declared to be unconstitutional, so as to give it a retroactive effect, it, nevertheless, has the power to adopt a statute with similar provisions having a prospective effect, prohibiting alcoholic liquors from being imported into this State.

"Such a statute would not contravene any provision of the United States constitution. As we have already said, the recent act of Congress divests intoxicating liquors of their interstate commerce character and invests the respective States with power either to prohibit the importation absolutely or allow it only for sale and use through a dispensary. The classification of the counties, so as to allow the sale of liquor in some of them while it is not prohibited in others, would not be violative of section 1 of the 14th amendment to the constitution of the United States which provides that no State shall deny to any person within its jurisdiction the full protection of the laws."

The case arose in Richland county through W. W. Atkinson bringing a suit to secure an injunction against the Southern Express company from enforcing its order refusing to deliver shipments of whiskey in South Carolina for personal use. The injunction was granted by the court, the decision being written by Chief Justice Gary and concurred in by Associate Justices Woods, Hydrick and Watts. Associate Justice Fraser says: "I concede that the above statement so strongly made is correct, but I dissent from the judgement. The regulation complained of in the petition refers exclusively to interstate commerce, and I think this court has no jurisdiction to interfere."

A test case was brought under the same conditions in Kershaw county and the court granted the injunction in this case on the same grounds as that from Richland.

Scholarship is Offered.

The South Carolina division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, offers a partial scholarship at the Confederate Home college of Charleston, valued at \$100, to girls of the State of 16 years or more who are lineal descendants of Confederate veterans. Applications for this scholarship should be sent before June 15 to Miss Armida Moses, chairman committee on education, S. C. Div., U. D. C., Sumter.

Bleese Calls in Constabulary.

As a result of the decision of the Supreme court on the Webb law, Governor Bleese said there was no use for him to continue to keep State constables in operation and he addressed a letter to his constables telling them that he would have no use for their services after the first of June.

When asked about the decision of the Supreme court in the Webb case, and its effect upon his policy, the Governor said:

"Well, of course, I am not surprised at the decision. However, I regret as much as it is possible for a man to regret that the court saw fit to render this decision. If that was the court's idea of the law, I wish it had done as it has done in thousands of other cases, held up the decision and delayed. I have had more trouble and worry in the last two or three months with complaints as to blind tigers than one poor fellow can stand. I have had my constabulary force full, my detectives at work, and recently counties have been calling on me to send them special men, and I have been tightening the screws. I had presumed that the Attorney General's views would be sustained, or if not, that the members of the court, who I presume are prohibitionists—certainly politically if not otherwise—the majority of them—would help me out of this fight, by holding the decision, even as it was rendered, until I could get the situation somewhat in hand. But, lo and behold, they shoot the decision back with lightning-like rapidity. 'On with the dance, boys, the music will be furnished.'"

Teachers Pay Too Small.

"Public school teachers of the United States do not receive enough salary to save money to carry adequate life insurance or to proceed with further professional training," announced a report of the United States bureau of education, issued Saturday. Most of the teachers of the country have in effect had their salaries reduced since 1897, says the report. Despite an apparent increase in money received by them, the high cost of living has cut into their salaries just as definitely as if a school board had sliced them. A teaching position which paid \$600 in 1897 is paying in purchasing power the equivalent of about \$416 today, if measured by 1897 prices; the teachers on the \$1,000 salary gets no more for his money than he would have procured 15 years ago for \$693.

Chattanooga to Welcome Veterans.

The United Confederate Veterans hold their annual reunion at Chattanooga May 27-29 and at the same time the Sons of Confederate Veterans will hold their reunion.

Hardly a more suitable place could be found for such a gathering, as in and around Chattanooga were fought two of the heaviest battles of the Civil war, the battle of Chickamauga and the battle of Missionary Ridge. Two lesser battles also took place there, those of Lookout Mountain and Orchard Knob. The veteran and will truly be in their glory in these surroundings.

The Times is giving its readers in this issue a special story covering a history of the territory with pictures of several monuments now on the battlefield. The story doubtless will prove interesting to all.

Counterfeit Paper Money.

The dangerous counterfeit Indian five-dollar silver certificates recently discovered continue in circulation, despite the vigilance of secret service and treasury officials. The notes, which are almost perfect imitations of the genuine ones, are finding their way through banks and sub-treasuries. The secret service operators have redoubled their efforts to find the counterfeiters. The notes are printed on genuine paper, obtained by washing one dollar bills. Government officials believe that the maker of the notes is the same counterfeiter who for months circulated bogus one dollar bills throughout the country.

BITS OF INTERESTING NEWS THROUGHOUT THE STATE

The \$50,000 in bonds issued for Richland county's proposed new jail were sold by the board of county commissioners to the Union National bank, of Columbia, at \$104.33, with a premium of \$2,165.

The contract for the erection of an addition to the Rock Hill school building has been awarded to J. J. Keller & Co. on a bid of \$17,800. Work is to begin as soon as the school closes and the building will be completed for the opening in the fall.

A checker tournament is scheduled to be held in Cheraw on June 3 and 4 at the Chiquola club rooms. Capt. Fishburne, the renowned checkerist of the South, will be present and on the 3rd will play, blindfolded, six experts simultaneously without sight of board or pieces.

Congressman Joseph T. Johnson will hold a competitive examination on Friday and Saturday at Spartanburg to fill a vacancy from the Fourth Congressional District at West Point. The winner of the scholarship will be required to report at the Military Academy for entrance examination in June, 1914.

Capt. J. M. Richardson, a candidate for Adjutant General three years ago, and until recently a member of the staff of the Governor, was arrested at Aiken on a warrant charging him with arson. The warrant was sworn out by R. A. Wharton a deputy from the office of F. H. McMaster, State insurance commissioner.

A. F. Funderburk, the Page-land man who left Wilmington, N. C., Tuesday morning, May 13, on a walking trip from ocean to ocean—Wilmington to San Francisco—arrived in Cheraw Saturday night about 8 o'clock. Mr. Funderburk is carrying no baggage and left without money, his intention being to earn money for his expenses by lecturing.

It is stated that sufficient names have been secured on the petition to warrant the calling of an election to run out the dispensary from Florence county. The prohibitionists have been putting in some hard work of late, and while they are satisfied that they will vote it out, the anti-prohibitionists are equally as satisfied that it will be voted to continue business.

Richard Henry Austin, the negro desperado and triple murderer, who has successfully eluded capture for the past four weeks, has been definitely located in Jacksonville, according to authentic information received Monday by the Columbia Record. He will probably be captured or killed shortly. He was recognized by a white Atlantic Coast Line railway fireman who is a resident of Luray and who has known the daring black all his life. A trap was laid for his capture Saturday night by the Jacksonville police, but he failed to fall into it.

Hail Storm in the County.

Parties returning to Fort Mill Monday afternoon on passenger train No. 28 reported much hail in the terrific rainstorm that swept over the lower section of York county between 5 and 6 o'clock. The heaviest downpour occurred about a mile below Rock Hill, where it was stated that considerable damage was done to early garden truck and such of the cotton that was above the ground. A little of the rain fell in Fort Mill and vicinity, but it was manifestly the edge of a heavier downpour farther to the south.

Wonderful Skin Salve.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve is known everywhere as the best remedy made for all diseases of the skin, and also for burns, bruises and boils. Reduces inflammation and is soothing and healing. J. T. Sossaman, publisher of News, of Cornelius, N. C., writes that one box helped his serious skin ailment after other remedies failed. Only 25 cents. Recommended by Fort Mill Drug Co., Massey's Drug Store and Ardreys Drug Store.

SHORT ITEMS of INTEREST to TIMES READERS.

Mrs. Preston B. Barnes, of Union, is visiting at the home of J. R. Haile.

Make it a rule to have the back yard, at all times, as clean as the front one.

Good schools, good churches and good roads never fail to make a good town.

Mrs. A. J. Graham and children, of Greenville, are guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. T. S. Kirkpatrick, in this city.

The prosperity of a town depends chiefly upon the confidence the people have in it. No town can prosper whose citizens are untrue to it.

Mrs. Wm. R. Belk returned Friday to Parksville Tenn., after a visit of several weeks to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Sutton, of the township.

The Times would be pleased to have a news letter each week from the prosperous Pleasant Valley section of Lancaster. Won't some one of our Pleasant Valley friends give us the news of that section occasionally?

Sergt. J. W. Hobbs, of company K., Fifth Infantry, U. S. A., is in Fort Mill for a few days instructing the members of the local military organization. The instruction includes rifle practice, patrol and outpost duty and non-commissioned officers school.

The Times has received an invitation to attend the commencement exercises of Clemson college, to be held June 8th, 9th, and 10th. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. Howard Lee Jones, of Charleston.

The second annual conference of the State and county organizers of the Girls' Canning clubs of South Carolina is in progress this week at Winthrop college. There are present delegates from sixteen counties and interesting programs are being carried out each day.

A very good and much needed rain fell throughout the township pretty generally Saturday morning. In the immediate vicinity of Fort Mill the fall was slight but in both the upper and lower parts of the township the rain was heavy and was very helpful to the crops and truck.

Individual members of the local military company are taking a great deal of interest in the rifle practice at the range and some good scores are being made. In the State shoot at Charleston last year the Fort Mill company won the State championship and members of the company are confident of doing as well this year.

The services at the Fort Mill Methodist church next Sunday evening will be especially interesting. A number of ladies who have been busily engaged in "turning over" their dollar for the benefit of the church repairs will make their report. Special music will be rendered and a profitable hour is being anticipated. The public is cordially invited to be present at 8:15 o'clock.

Invitations have been issued by Mrs. W. G. Neville, of Clinton, to the marriage of her daughter, Miss Talulah Neville, to John Spratt, of Laurens, the ceremony to take place in June. Mr. Spratt is a son of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Spratt, of Chester, and has a number of relatives in Fort Mill and vicinity. With his brother, Frank K. Spratt, he is now engaged in the wholesale grocery business in Laurens.

Late Wednesday afternoon a foreigner employed at the plant of the Charlotte Brick company, at Grattan, lost a leg as a result of an accident on the railroad. The man, with several others, was engaged in "pinching" a car along the sidetrack when a shifting engine struck the car, knocking the man down and the wheels passing over one of his legs. He was taken to a Charlotte hospital on train No. 28 and amputation of the leg was found necessary to save the man's life.

Johnson Signs Land Act.

California's alien land bill became a law of that State Monday. Against protests of Japan and representations of President Wilson and his personal envoy, Secretary of State Bryan, Governor Johnson signed the bill and 90 days after the adjournment of the Legislature, or on August 10, the act becomes operative.

While the governor was signing the bill the steamship Korea was passing in through the Golden Gate, bearing two distinguished Japanese, one a former pupil of President Wilson's, on a mission of investigation. Meanwhile, complications, National and sectional, beset the bill. Overshadowing all is the outcome of the negotiations now in progress between this country and Japan, which has interpreted the act as discriminatory and offensive.

The Carlin Act.

The first violation of the new Federal law—known as the Carlin Act—was the stealing of an express package in one of the Chicago depots resulting in the arrest of the offender and placing him under \$5,000 bail. This act imposes a maximum fine of \$5,000 or imprisonment of not more than ten years for any person convicted of unlawfully breaking into any railway car containing interstate or foreign shipments of freight or express or of stealing or obtaining by fraud or deception from any car, depot, platform, vessel or wharf any freight, express or baggage which constitutes or is part of interstate or foreign shipment.

While the Carlin Act in no way infringes on the jurisdiction of the State courts, it puts the whole power of the Federal Department of Justice behind the detection and prosecution of persons guilty of stealing from cars or depots since it will be practically impossible for thieves to distinguish between intrastate and interstate shipments. As the Carlin Act becomes better known and understood, the petty crook will look upon an express package in transit with the same reverence and awe as he has been taught to respect all mail matter, however tempting its purloining may be to his criminal instincts.

FORT MILL PUBLIC SCHOOL FINISHES 1912-13 TERM

The closing exercises of the Fort Mill Graded and High school, to which the public is invited, will begin at the auditorium this (Wednesday) evening at 8:30 o'clock. Following is the program for this evening's exercises:

Opening prayer by Rev. F. L. Glennan of the Methodist church. Chorus, "Freedom, My Queen," by advanced grades.

"Doll Song" by First grade girls.

Address by Prof. J. G. Clinkscapes of Wofford college.

Song, "Asleep in the Deep," by quartette of High school boys.

Thursday's Program.

6:30 p. m.—Daisy Chain and May Pole dance.

8:30 p. m.—Song, "Hurrah for a Holiday," by pupils from primary grades.

Presentation of gold piece and picture of Andrew Jackson, gift of local chapter of the D. A. R., with presentation speech by B. J. White.

Exercises by Literary society. Chorus, "My Dear Native Land."

Recitation, "What is a Boy," by Olive Harris.

Declaration, "Responsibilities of Young Men," by Brice Culp. Instrumental Trio, "Absent," by Olive Harris, James Young and Clarence Link.

Essay, "Americanism," by Ethel Armstrong.

Debate—Query: "Resolved, That the Mental Capacity of the Male Sex is Superior to that of the Female." Affirmative, James Young and Clarence Link; negative, Bessie Smith and Florence Bennett.

Piano Solo, "The Minuet," by Heath Belk.

Recitation, "Just Graduated," by Lila Hall.

Quartette, "Down by the Old Mill Stream," by Brice Culp, Ernest Patterson, Clarence Link and Heath Belk.

Miss Marguerite Link, of Hickory, N. C., is a guest at the home of her brother, C. S. Link, in Fort Mill.

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White Flaxon, extra values, 15c, 17 1-2c, 25c, 40c yard.
White Checked Flaxon, only 25c yard.
White Poplin, pretty quality, 15c, 20c and 25c yard.
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Embroideries, beautiful patterns, 25c, 50c and \$1. Bands to match, 25c and 30c.

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Large assortment of White Suitings, 10c, 12 1-2c and 20c.
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